

AMENDMENT TO THE CLAIMS

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1. to 2. (Cancelled)

3. (Previously Presented) An interface card for a device with image output capabilities, comprising:

a connector for connecting to the device;

a controller for sending a predetermined signal to the device, receiving a request from the device for an executable program, and sending data for output of an image of a quick-start guide from the interface card to the device through the connector in response to the request for the executable program,

wherein the quick-start guide identifies installation and configuration instructions.

4. (Original) The interface card according to Claim 3, further including a non-volatile memory,

wherein the controller stores an indication in the non-volatile memory that the data has been sent without error in a case that the data has been sent without error,

wherein the interface card uses the indication to determine if the quick-start guide has been sent once without error, and

wherein the interface card is reset with respect to whether the data has been sent by resetting the indication.

5. (Previously Presented) An interface card according to Claim 3, wherein the controller sends the signal that would be sent when a memory medium has been inserted in to a memory medium drive, receives a request from the device for a filename for the executable program, sends a predetermined filename for the data for output of the image of the quick-start guide to the device in response to the request for the filename, receives another request from the device for the executable program based on the predetermined filename, sends the data for the output of the image of the quick-start guide in response to the other request for the executable program.

6. to 7. (Cancelled)

8. (Original) An interface card according to Claim 4, wherein the interface card comprises a CD-ROM interface card, and the device comprises a computer system.

9. (Original) An interface card according to Claim 8, wherein the computer system has a display connected thereto, and wherein the image of the quick-start guide is output through the display.

10. (Original) An interface card according to Claim 8, wherein the computer system has a printer connected thereto, and wherein the image of the quick-start guide is output through the printer onto a recording medium.

11. (Currently Amended) A method for outputting a quick-start guide, said method comprising the steps of:

sending a signal to a computer system that ordinarily would be sent when a memory medium has been inserted into a memory medium drive, wherein the signal is sent without inserting the memory medium into the memory medium drive;

intercepting a request from the computer system for a filename for an executable program;

sending the filename for the executable program to the computer system in response to the request for the filename;

intercepting a request from the computer system for the executable program;

and

sending the executable program to the computer system in response to the request for the executable program,

wherein when the computer system executes the executable program, the executable program causes the computer system to output an image of the quick-start guide,

wherein the quick-start guide identifies installation and configuration instructions.

12. (Original) An interface card according to Claim 4, wherein the interface card comprises a DVD interface card, and the device comprises a computer system.

13. (Original) An interface card according to Claim 4, wherein the interface card comprises a display interface card, and the device comprises a display that is connectable to a computer system through the display interface card.

14. (Original) An interface card according to Claim 13, wherein the data comprises RGB pixel information and synch information.

15. (Original) An interface card according to Claim 4, wherein the controller also detects if the data is sent without error.

16. (Original) An interface card according to Claim 4, wherein the controller detects information about the device and modifies the data in accordance with the detected information.

17. (Original) An interface card according to Claim 4, wherein the non-volatile memory comprises a NVRAM.

18. (Original) An interface card according to Claim 17, wherein the NVRAM stores firmware for the interface card, and wherein in a case the firmware is updated by reloading the NVRAM, the indication that the data has been sent without error is reset.

19. (Original) An interface card according to Claim 4, wherein the non-volatile memory comprises an EEPROM.

20. (Original) An interface card according to Claim 19, wherein the EEPROM stores firmware for the interface card, and wherein in a case the firmware is updated by flashing the EEPROM, the indication that the data has been sent without error is reset.

21. (Original) An interface card according to Claim 4, wherein the device has a housing and wherein the interface card is disposed within the housing.

22. (Original) An interface card according to Claim 4, wherein the device has a housing and where the interface card has a housing different than the housing for the device.

23. to 24. (Cancelled)

25. (Currently Amended) An apparatus for outputting a quick-start guide, said apparatus comprising:

a program memory for storing process steps executable to: (1) send a signal to a computer system that ordinarily would be sent when a memory medium has been inserted into a memory medium drive, wherein the signal is sent without inserting the

memory medium into the memory medium drive; (2) intercept a request from the computer system for a filename for an executable program; (3) send the filename for the executable program to the computer system in response to the request for the filename; (4) intercept a request from the computer system for the executable program; and (5) send the executable program to the computer system in response to the request for the executable program, wherein when the computer system executes the executable program, the executable program causes the computer system to output an image of the quick-start guide, and wherein the quick-start guide identifies installation and configuration instructions.; and a processor for executing the process steps stored in said program memory.

26. (Previously Presented) A method according to Claim 11, further comprising:  
detecting information about a device,  
wherein said image of the quick-start guide is based on the detected information.

27. (Previously Presented) A method according to Claim 11, further comprising:  
storing an indication in non-volatile memory that the executable program has been sent without error in a case that the data has been sent without error,  
wherein the indication is used to determine if the executable program has been sent once without error.

28. (Previously Presented) A method according to Claim 11, wherein the computer system has a display connected thereto, and wherein the image of the quick-start guide is output through the display.

29. (Previously Presented) A method according to Claim 11, wherein the computer system has a printer connected thereto, and wherein the image of the quick-start guide is output through the printer onto a recording medium.

30. (Previously Presented) A method according to Claim 11, wherein the memory medium is a CD-ROM and the memory medium drive is a CD-ROM drive.

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